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IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please amend each of claims 1 and 31 as follows.

1. (once amended) An elongated, compact cutting element for use in cutting a nonductile material, the element comprising,
a contact structure formed at a distal end of the cutting element for engaging said material,

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